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E. is still unable to sleep because of her cough, and unquestionably has pneumonia.

I took Sasha down to Versailles for half an hour and spent the rest of the day at home except for a short excursion to call on Virginia Chambers. Virginia and Brose are going to the United States in early November. While there, I paid for the dining room table I [redacted] recently bought from her. Their garden, with its fruit trees, gives the impression that you are in full country.

Today's papers, both in England and France, reflect general approval of what was done yesterday. Foster termed it a near miracle, and this is about what it was. From the French standpoint, they have made far greater concessions than had ever been contemplated by the EDC Treaty. Had it not been for the defeat of the EDC Treaty and the consequent panic in England and France, obviously stout opponents of German rearmament on any terms would not have consented to what has now been accepted in the armament field or to Germany's entrance as a full partner in NATO.

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